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1. CHRONOLOGY MAJOR EVENTS US-PRC RELATIONSHIP 1968-1973
FOLLOWS BELOW, WITH EXCEPTION 1973 CULTURAL EXCHANGES,
WHICH ARE LISTED SEPARATELY IN PARA (2). CULTURAL
EXCHANGES INCLUDE ONLY THOSE FACILITATED BY USG, ALTHOUGH
NUMEROUS OTHER EXCHANGES HAVE ALSO OCCURRED. FOR NARRA-
TIVE DISCUSSION OF THE US-PRC RELATIONSHIP AS IT HAS
DEVELOPED, EMBASSY MAY WISH TO DRAW UPON CHINA
PORTION OF PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL FOREIGN POLICY REPORTS TO
CONGRESS.

1968 NOV 26 PRC ANNOUNCES WILLINGNESS TO RESUME WARSAW
MEETINGS WITH US IN FEBRUARY 1969 AFTER
PRESIDENT NIXON'S INAUGURATION.

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1969 FEB 18 PRC CANCELS WARSAW MEETING AFTER DEFECTION
OF PRC DIPLOMAT IN EUROPE.

JUL 21 US ANNOUNCES SLIGHT RELAXATION OF TRADE
AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING PRC.

AUG 2-4 PRESIDENT REFERS TO PRC BY LEGAL NAME IN
SPEECH IN ROMANIA.

1969 DEC 19 US ANNOUNCES FURTHER RELAXATION OF TRADE
RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING PRC.

1970 JAN 20 WARSAW TALKS RESUME AFTER 2 YEAR SUSPENSION.

FEB 20 ANOTHER SESSION OF WARSAW TALKS.

MAR 16 US ANNOUNCES FURTHER RELAXATION OF TRAVEL
RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING PRC.

MAY 18 PRC CANCELS WARSAW MEETING SCHEDULED
MAY 20 TO PROTEST US CAMBODIAN
INCURSION.

AUG US REMOVES RESTRICTIONS ON AMERICAN OIL
COMPANIES BUNKERING PRC-DESTINED SHIPS.

1971 MAR 15 US REMOVES ALL RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF
US PASSPORTS FOR TRAVEL TO PRC.

APR US TABLE TENNIS TEAM VISITS CHINA AT
PRC INVITATION.

APR 14 US ANNOUNCES FURTHER RELAXATION OF TRADE
RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING PRC.

MAY 7 US REMOVES ALL RESTRICTIONS ON DOLLAR
TRANSACTIONS WITH PRC.

JUNE 10 US LIFTS TRADE RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING
PRC ON CERTAIN NON-STRATEGIC COMMODITIES.
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JUL 9-11 DR. KISSINGER SECRETLY VISITS PEKING.

JUL 15 PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES INVITATION TO VISIT
THE PRC.

AUG 2 US ANNOUNCES SUPPORT FOR SEATING OF PRC
IN UN BUT OPPOSITION TO ROC EXPULSION.

OCT DR. KISSINGER VISITS PEKING.

1972 FEB 21-28 PRESIDENT NIXON VISITS PRC.

FEB 28 US-PRC SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE RELEASED.

APR US CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION VISITS PRC.

1972 JUNE 19-23 DR. KISSINGER VISITS PEKING.

JULY US CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION VISITS PRC.

SEPT/OCT US NEWSPAPER EDITORS GROUP VISITS PRC.

OCT PRC DOCTORS' DELEGATION VISITS US.

NOV PRC SCIENTISTS DELEGATION VISITS US.

DEC SHENYANG ACROBATIC TROUPE VISITS US.

1973 FEB 15-19 DR. KISSINGER VISITS PRC.

MAY US AND PRC OPEN LIAISON OFFICES IN
PEKING AND WASHINGTON.

NOV 10-14 SECRETARY KISSINGER VISITS PRC.

NOV. 14 US-PRC COMMUNIQUE RELEASED.

2. USG FACILITATED CULTURAL EXCHANGES IN 1973 INCLUDED:

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ARCHEOLOGY DELEGATION
MODEL CITIES YOUTH DELEGATION
WHITE HOUSE FELLOWS
TEACHERS' DELEGATION
CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATIONS
HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS GROUP
SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM
CHILD PSYCHOLOGY GROUP
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAMS
DELEGATIONS FROM NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
US-CHINA RELATIONS
DELEGATION FROM COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY

COMMUNICATION WITH PRC

FROM THE PRC TO THE US

LIBRARIANS DELEGATION
COMPUTER SPECIALISTS GROUP
LINGUISTS DELEGATION
MEDICAL DELEGATION
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COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALISTS GROUP
JOURNALISTS DELEGATION
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GYMNASTS GROUP

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